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Minutes: March 6, 2019

The regular board meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Veterinary Medicine was held at the State House Annex, Room 201, 25 Capitol Street, Concord, NH.

Members present: President: Simon George, DVM; Vice President: Sonnya Dennis, DVM; John MacGregor, DVM; Judith Leclerc, DVM; Kirk Smith, DVM; Stephen K. Crawford, DVM, EX Officio Member; Elaine Forst, Temporary Public Member

Staff: Kim M. Lavoie, Administrative Secretary; JD Lavalley, Board Counsel

Public present: Becky Gallant, NH Veterinary Tech Association; Ed Carlson, Treasurer NH Veterinary Tech Association

PUBLIC SESSION

The public segment of the meeting was called to order at 8:43 a.m.

1. The January public minutes were reviewed. Dr. Dennis motioned to approve the public minutes with two corrections. Dr. George seconded. So moved.
2. AAVSB, Topics to Discuss/Resolution 2018-1-Administrative Secretary will contact Lainie Franklin with response that NH would love to participate, and voted to do so, but does not have the time or resources to initial participation at this time.
3. AAVSB, Medical marijuana use by a licensee – Administrative Secretary will respond to Lainie Franklin. NH doesn't have a stand on this as of yet. Dr. MacGregor motioned to ask Board Counsel to discuss/draft an opinion. Dr. George seconded. So moved.
4. AAVSB-Telehealth Issues-discussion ensued. VCPR has to be established in new rules.
5. ICVA-reviewed, to be filed.
6. Draft form of language for euthanasia-Reviewed concerns brought forth. Discussion currently being reviewed by legal counsel. The public may go to the next rules meeting which will be announced.
7. Pedro Bento, Question for licensure-Dr. Dennis motioned to respond referencing 332B:11 I, III and Vet 301,303, & 304. Dr. Crawford seconded. So moved. Administrative Secretary will email Dr. Bento.

8. Is it legal in NH for a veterinarian to charge a fee to a client who is having a medication that the veterinarian carries, filled by another pharmacy? According to the Principals of Veterinary Medical Ethics 7 f iii, A Vet shall honor a request for a prescription but may charge a fee.

9. Michael Mccammon-State Board position on Hemp – The Board is not aware the DEA has approved legality. The State Board is tasked with protecting public health and safety. Refer to Principal of Veterinary Medical Ethics POVME 1 C.

10. Veterinarian improperly withholding records – Dr. Dennis motioned that the BVM is not allowed to release any documents received and/or records obtained in an investigation, to the complainant. However, if the complainant is concerned that records they received are not the same as what the Board receives, it will be considered in the investigation. Dr. MacGregor seconded. So moved.

11. The Antibiotics Symposium – this has been assigned 6 CE units totaling an 8 hour day.

Upon the motion of Dr. George and second of Dr. Smith the Board, by roll call vote, resolved to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct, noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II, (c)RSA 91-A:3, II (e), RSA 91A:5, IV, Lodge V. Knowlton, 118 NH 574 (1978), and the board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

The non-public segment of the meeting was held.

Upon the motion of Dr. Dennis and the second of Dr. Smith, the Board, by roll call vote, resolved to withhold the minutes of preceding non-public sessions from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III, on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her own vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kim M. Lavoie, Administrative Secretary
Authorized Representative of the
NH Board of Veterinary Medicine